



## EMSH Retirement Ceremony

"Well done good and faithful servant...."



On Monday, July 22, 2013, 561 years of service provided at East Mississippi State Hospital were highlighted during a noon luncheon and an afternoon retirement ceremony sponsored by EMSH FRIENDS. Pictured here are honorees who were present to reflect on their employment while at EMSH. The retirees spoke from their hearts while offering words of wisdom during the ceremony. From the comical "Nope, I'm done," uttered by Dwaine Dunn of Community Services when asked if he had anything to say, to the more serious remarks of several individuals who referenced a time when EMSH co-workers considered themselves as family and looked after one another, those on the listening end were challenged to go forward, but yet look back to remember the efforts of those who have gone before and finished their tasks.

Retirees received plaques from FRIENDS as well as a one year membership to the organization. Board member Vanessa Duett, FRIENDS Vice-President, assisted with the presentations.



### From L to R:

Mr. Carlisle & Dwaine Dunn, Dianne Hill, Mattie Williams, Erma Humphery, LeAdrian Jones & Carlos Colucci

## Summer Sizzling at BASAC



For all of the time that we Southerners spend trying to stay cool during our hot and humid summers, sometimes it is best to endure the heat and call it FUN! On Friday, August 2nd, BASAC did just that as they hosted their 2013 Family and Fun day with music, giant water slides, water games, and a cookout. Shown here are some sights from the annual FRIENDS sponsored event:

Chaplain Operton should have known that April Luke never intended to have a picture made with him **standing** by the water slide. Catching him off-guard, April used a one handed gentle push to give the word baptism a new meaning!

BASAC staff, along with help from Special Dietary's David Feldman and JoAnn Knight, served hamburgers, hot dogs, and all of the trimmings at lunch-time.

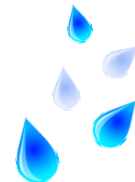
Recreation's Matthew Brown was the cool DJ for the day.





# Neshoba County Fair

## "Kudos to ESMH Maintenance"



Each year at The Neshoba County Fair, an ESMH vehicle winds its way to Founders Square to unload tables, tents, banners, and giveaways for Meridian Day. In the past, our truck or van has been just one of several vehicles from Meridian and Lauderdale County careening through tight twists and turns of the hallowed fairgrounds; however, this year, due to new rules and regulations, as well as sequestration at NAS, only one vehicle was allowed to carry everything for Meridian Day. ESMH rose to the task and on Wednesday July 31st, Maintenance's Jerry Johnson maneuvered a F250 Extended cab and bed carrying a 20' utility trailer loaded with a city, a county, and a Naval Air Station through the barricades at NAS Meridian, and then on to Neshoba County and back. Kudos to Jerry for going *above and beyond* a normal workday at East Mississippi State Hospital, and for being a consummate courier of goods and services!

### BIRTHDAYS

**1st** - Salitha Johnson  
Residential Living  
**2nd** - Canton Williams  
Residential Living  
**4th** - Haley Theall  
Joint Commission  
**4th** - Sheila Newbaker  
2 North  
**5th** - Yolanda McDade  
Outcome Services  
**6th** - Debbie Routt  
Purchasing  
**6th** - Paula Cole  
Public Safety  
**7th** - Cathy Howell  
4 North  
**7th** - Jennifer Darden  
Health Records  
**7th** - Robert Ledlow  
Warehouse  
**8th** - Bisa Jennings  
Lewis 2  
**10th** - Billy Ivy  
Recreation  
**10th** - Paul Souigny  
Community Services  
**11th** - Rose Mallare  
2 North  
**13th** - Monroe Middlebrook  
Environmental Services



recent inspections. The EOC serves as fresh eyes for keeping us compliant as we strive to meet Joint Commission standards.

### The ESMH Gestapo

For months, Environmental Services has issued reminders that the second round of Environment of Care inspections were coming EOC committee members made sure that any and all citations from the first round had been corrected. Pictured here are Howard Sims, Deborah Cherry, Keri and Rob Barr, as they are leaving A Building with clipboards in hand following the completion of their



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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Beginning this month, employees will be recognized for going "Above and Beyond" their job.

This could include any random act of kindness or gesture. If you see someone who fits this description, please notify Melissa Brewster - 17854, Brittany Rushing - 17883, or Clinton Davis - 17606 so that the person can be recognized.

The Insider will be spotlighting two employees per month to commend them on a job well done.

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